

## Town of Weare Parks and Recreation

Meeting Minute September 8, 2009

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: ~7:10pm

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Chuck Metcalf, Valerie King, Tom Reynolds, Mike Housman

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- Request for use of Chase Park on Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> for a 1-hour wedding ceremony. Approximately 30-40 people will be in attendance. If it rains, the wedding will be held elsewhere. Park staff will be instructed to keep the bathrooms open for this event. Valerie will provide main gate key to the couple in the morning and they will return it to her that night. Mike and Chuck will wait until the 18<sup>th</sup> (10:30am) to winterizing the park.
- James Cole requested access to boat ramp requested for Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> for a photo shoot for his fishing gear company. All but one person involved in the shoot lives in Weare. Boat launch fees will apply as usual. Request approved pending availability of staff to open the gates. Mike will get back to him to let him know.

## **COORDINATOR'S REPORT:**

- Poison Ivy at Ineson-Mike will begin spraying the area "from a safe distance".
   Hopefully this will do the trick and Mike will come away rash free.
- Mike will call PSNH about the higher than expected electric bill for the Gazebo area.
- Dot O'Neil of the Wearites (Seniors) has requested approval for a dinner at Dimitris. The cost will be \$12 per person for up to 25 people. No speakers are scheduled

Tom made a motion to authorize \$12 per person for up to 25 people for a senior's event at Dimitris. Chuck seconded the motion. 2-1-0. Motion carried.

- Trash removal at Chase is now on an "on call" basis (call when we need them vs. regularly scheduled pick-up) The dumpsters at Bolton will remain on a schedule until after football season (end of October). Mike will call to arrange.
- Mike got a quote of \$9,200 for 340 yards of wood fibers for the playground. This cost includes labor to have them spread.
- Mike has been in contact with Sue Hume at John Stark Regional High School regarding the possibility of PARC providing seniors with community service projects. PARC needs to generate a running list of quality project ideas for the

kids. Possibility ideas include spreading the wood fibers at the playground and staining the shed.

- Mike to find out the cost of new playground equipment to replace broken parts (teeter-totter and bench among the items in need of repair)
- Halloween Party-The party is tentatively scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup>. Mike will contact Fran P for assistance. She did a great job for us last year!!

Chuck made a motion to authorize up to \$500 to be spent on supplies, etc. for the annual Halloween Party. Tom seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

- Mike verified that a new dock would require permit by DES. He will begin the
  process now. Several interested parties have contacted Chuck about using this as
  an Eagle Scout project.
- Mike will look into the questionable phone numbers that were called from the phone at Chase Park over the summer.

## **NEW/OLD BUSINESS:**

 PARC members expressed interest in purchasing a banner for next years concert series. "Free Concert Here Thursday Night"

Chuck made a motion to spend up to \$250 on a banner to advertise summer concerts. Tom seconded the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

- The Gazebo is leaking. The Board of Selectman (BOS) is looking into getting this fixed using building maintenance funds.
- Skateboard Park-PARC has already begun to receive complaints about the Skateboard Park. Problems include trash, bad language and smoking. The principle of WMS called last week about the disruption caused by boarders using the Park during school hours. In addition, the "new" equipment has already begun to fail and is in need of repair. There is nothing in writing stating that the Skateboard Park is under PARC care and PARC members unanimously agree that the Park is not something they want to be responsible for. PARC does not have the resources to maintain or regulate this facility. The BOS will be meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Skateboard Park. They are also scheduled to meet with the school on the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Buoys/Swim-lines-All PARC members are asked to assist with removing the buoys/swim-lines on Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 9am on

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:25pm**